GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

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MODERNISATION OF AIRSTRIPS RUNWAYS
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to undertake modernization of major airstrips/runways in various States/UTs of the country;

(b) if so, the details and the present status thereof, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether inadequate length of runway at Hubli airport makes landing and take-off operations difficult for an aircraft; and

(d) if so, the action taken or proposed to be taken by the Airports Authority of India for its expansion?

Answer

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION (Shri G. M. Siddeshwara)

(a) & (b) : Yes, Madam. Development/upgradation of airports is a continuous process and is undertaken by Airports Authority of India (AAI) from time to time depending on commercial viability, socio-economic considerations, availability of land and budgetary support etc. Details of work planned/undertaken are at Annexure-I.

(c) & (d) : No, Madam. The present Runway length of Hubli Airport is sufficient for operation of ATR-72 type of aircraft. However, AAI has taken up the work for extension and widening of the runway for operation of A-320 type of Aircraft.